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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE

Specific Legal Authority authorizing the promulgation of
Rule: Miss. Code Ann. §69-1-18(2)(a)

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the
Proposed Rule: Retail Food Store Regulations- Rule 1.0,
Sanitation Requirements (amended); Rule 1.1, Additions and
Exclusions from the 2001 Food Code (new rule)

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule:

The amendment spells out that the department regulations for retail food stores are those contained in the 2001 *Food Code* and not the current or 2005 *Food Code*. New Rule 1.1 clarifies the definition of a food establishment under the law as one that requires, among other things, a fee exchanged for the food. Finally, Rule 1.1 intends to put establishments on notice that the Department's enforcement procedures are found in Retail Food Store Regulation number five and not the enforcement procedures in the Food Code.

This rule is proposed as a ☒ Final Rule, and/or a ☐ Temporary Rule (Check one or both boxes as applicable.)

Persons may present their views on the proposed rule by addressing written comments to the agency at the above address. Persons making comments should include their name and address, as well as other contact information, and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

Oral Proceeding: (Check one box below)

☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled on this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____
Place: _____

If you wish to be heard and present evidence at the oral proceeding you must make a written request to the agency at the above address at least _____ days prior to the proceeding to be placed on the agenda. The request should include your name, address, telephone number as well as other contact information; and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

☒ An oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule. Where an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding will be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

Economic Impact Statement: (Check one box below)

- ☒ The agency has determined that an economic impact statement is not required for this rule, or
☐ The concise summary of the economic impact statement required is attached.

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Date Rule Proposed: March 13, 2006

Proposed Effective Date of Rule: May 10, 2006

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